



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 2853
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q62336

Kazuo ISHII, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/741,071

Group Art Unit: 2853

Confirmation No.: 7426

Examiner: Michael S. Brooke

Filed: December 21, 2000

For: INK JET PRINTING METHOD AND PRINTING APPARATUS

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ATTN: BOX AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2002, in which the Examiner set a three-month period for response.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

25. (new) The ink jet printing method according to claim 1, wherein the fixing step comprises heat fixation.

26. (new) the ink jet printing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the image-fixing member further comprises a heating member.

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | After Amendment | | Highest No. Previously Paid For | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------|-----------|
| All Claims | 26 | - | 24 | = | 2 | X | \$18.00 | = \$36.00 |
| Independent | 2 | - | 3 | = | 0 | X | \$84.00 | = \$0.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | | = \$36.00 |

A check for the statutory fee of \$36.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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